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Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 15-149

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The California-Hawaii State Conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is one of the oldest and most effective civil rights organizations in California. With 72 branches and youth units mobilized across the state, the California State NAACP works to ensure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of minority citizens by working successfully with allies of all races.

I write to you today in support of the merger between Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable, and Brighthouse Networks.

New Charter will bring better pricing for broadband services to low-income households in California and has made commitments to not block or slow down Internet traffic. In fact, New Charter will go further by agreeing not to impose data caps or engage in usage-based billing.

New Charter is strongly committed to hiring a workforce that reflects the diversity of the customers it serves and Charter Communications has already returned thousands of jobs to America from overseas call centers. Also, New Charter is committed to supplier diversity and will increase outreach to minority-owned businesses to provide high-quality materials and diverse programming.

We encourage you to approve the merger because it would maintain access to supplier diversity and independent programming, prioritize inclusive hiring practices, and broaden access to low-income broadband programs. Please keep these points in mind as you are considering the proposal.

Sincerely,

Alice Huffman
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